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SUBJECT: NEXT STEPS IN MOZAMBIQUE; ANGOLAN LEADERSHIP PROBLEMS

1. TANZANIAN HICOM KATIKAZA ON SEPT 25 TOLD US ONE OF MAIN POINTS AT REGULAR, QUARTERLY MEETING TANZANIA-ZAMBIA-ZAIRE HEADS OF STATE IN DAR THIS WEEKEND WILL BE MOBILIZATION OF AID TO MOZAMBIQUE. EMBASIS WILL BE ON ASSISTANCE TO PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, THE TWO MAIN FOCI OF MOZAMBIQUE TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT. WHILE THERE WILL NATURALLY BE HEAVY MOZAMBICAN RELIANCE ON PORTUGAL, FRELIMO DOES NOT WANT TO OVERDO IT AND WILL BE LOOKING ELSEWHERE AS WELL FOR ASSISTANCE.

2. KATIKAZA BELIEVES BASIC ORIENTATION OF MOZAMBIQUE WILL BE WESTERN. SAMORA MACHEL HAS SAID AS MUCH TO PRESIDENT NYEREREMJND TO KATIKAZA ON
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SEPARATE OCCASIONS. THIS ATTITUDE REFLECTS NOT

ONLY MOZAMBIQUE'S PORTUGUESE LINGUISTIC HERITAGE BUT, ACCORDING TO KATIKAZA, ACCEPTANCE BY MACHEL OF TANZANIAN PERCEPTION WESTERN ASSISTANCE "EASIER TO DIGEST AND ASSIMILATE" THAN THAT FROM EAST.

3. DISCUSSION LED TO UNDERTAKING BY KATIKAZA TO FACILITATE MEETING BETWEEN AMBASSADOR AND SAMORA MACHEL TO PAVE WAY FOR SUBSEQUENT MEETING WITH MACHEL BY AF ASST SECY EASUM DURING ZAMBIAN INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS NEXT MONTH. KATIKAZA, INCIDENTALLY, SAID NEW US POLICY ON CONTACT WITH FRELIMO LEADERSHIP, THOUGH BELATED MLAS MOST WELCOME AND USEFUL.

4. KATIKASZA ALSO SPOKE OF SITTING IN ON MACHEL'S PRIVATE BRIEFING FOR KAUNDA IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING NEGOTIATIONS WHICH PRODUCED SEPTEMBER 7 PORTUGUESE-FRELIMO LUSAKA AGREEMENT (LUSAKA 1819). A MAJOR PROBLEM IN NEGOTIATIONS HAD BSUN PRESIDENT SPINOLA'S RELUCTANCE ACCEPT ALL THE TERMS OF DRAFT WORKED OUT IN PRELIMINARY DAR SESSION. AMONG OTHER THINGS, SPINOLA TRIED INSIST MINISTRY OF INTERIOR BE RESERVED FOR PORTUGUESE. PORTUGUESE VICE PREMIER ANTUNES INDICATED TO SPINOIU MILITARY HAD FINAL WORD; SPINOLA WOULD HAVE TO CONCEDE OR STEP ASIDE. ACCORDING B KATIKAZA, SPINOLA LOST OUTON MANY OTHER OF HIS PROPOSALS AS WELL. PERHAPS THIS EXPERIENCE MAY EXPLAIN IN PART SPINOLA'S DESIRE PRSONALLY TAKE LEAD IN NEGOTIATIONS FOR ANGOLAN FREEDOM. KATIKAZA DOUBTED SOME REPORTS THAT SPINOLA'S POSITION IN PORTUGAL LESS STABLE THAN BEFORE.

. RE ANGOLA, KATIKAZA SKEPTICAL OF NETO'S MPLA LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL BUT ACKNOWLEDGED NETO CANNOT BE DISMISSED. KATIKAZA'S PERSONAL VIEW (WHICH HE SAID HE PRESSED UPON PRESIDENT NYERERE TO LATTER'S SURPRISE) IS THAT REFERENDUM OR ELECTION WILL HAVE TO BE HELD IN ANGOLA TO SETTLE LEADERSHIP QUESTION. SERIES OF CONGRESSES AND CONFERENCES HAD NOT CONFIDENTIAL

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SUCCEDED, MAKING SITUATION INANGOLA QUITE DIFFERENT FROM THAT OF MOZAMBIQUE.
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